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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No. : 10/591,607  
Confirmation No. : 3404  
Applicant : Sergej Lopatin  
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Title : Apparatus for determining and/or monitoring a  
process variable  
TC/A.U. : 2834  
Examiner : B. P. Gordon  
Docket No. : LOPA3010/FJD  
Customer No. : 23364

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION WITH AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Introductory Comments

The following amendments and corresponding remarks are being pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR §1.116 in response to the FINAL Office Action of March 24, 2009, and in a bona fide effort to place this application in condition for allowance.